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Plan Moody Centenary Observance
In Town Hall Thursday, February 4;
Will Erect Bronze Memorial TabletCommittee Selects A
Prominent Speaker

At the last special meeting of the town it was voted to appoint a special committee to properly observe the centennial of the birth of Dwight Lyman Moody, whom Northfield gave to the world as an evangelist and Christian worker, the founder of Mt. Hermon School and the Northfield Seminary. The Moody Centenary will be appropriately observed by the Northfield Schools and by many churches and institutions throughout Christendom, next year beginning Feb. 5 but this observance in charge of a special committee representing the town will be the community's tribute to him.

At a meeting of the committee held last Friday evening in Town Hall there were present Mr. A. P. Fitt who presided, Mr. Fred A. Holton and Mr. George W. Carr of the Board of Selectmen. Mr. C. C. Stearns, Mr. Joseph W. Field and Mr. J. R. Colton. It was voted to hold the centennial observance in the town hall on Thursday, Feb. 4, and to engage a prominent and well-known speaker from Yale college to deliver the address. Music is to be provided by a large choir selected from the singers of the community who will be trained in the old hymns used in the evangelistic campaigns of D. L. Moody and Ira D. Sankey. Request is to be made of the Dickinson Library Trustees that they organize a display of D. L. Moody books and literature. That the local churches to be asked to hold centenary services Sunday, Feb. 7 and that all organizations be invited to cooperate in their own way.

Inasmuch as only a hundred dollars was appropriated to the committee this amount will be used for the speaker and public meeting and the committee will ask the town to appropriate a sufficient sum in addition to cover the cost of erecting a bronze memorial tablet to Mr. Moody on the walls of the town hall.

Mrs. William F. Callender

Mrs. Mary Holton Callender, better known as Mrs. Minnie Callender, passed on Tuesday night, Dec. 1. She had been found unconscious in her room the morning of Nov. 24 and was taken at once to the Franklin County hospital, where she never recovered entire consciousness. A complication due to a weakened heart, hastened her death.

The funeral, conducted by Rev. Mary Andrews Conner, will be at the old Holton homestead, Friday, Dec. 4 at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Callender was born June 16, 1855 in the old Holton home which had been built in 1715 and where she lived all her life, except a few years, when she and her husband, William F. Callender lived at Summit, N. J. She loved the old home and its many sacred associations, and never wished to leave it; although in recent years it meant that she was almost confined there during the winter months. She was educated at the old Prospect Hill school, and was most interesting as she reminisced over those school days. She was a charter member of the Holton Family association and its secretary for years. Until the very last, she was a loyal interested member of the local Unitarian church, in which she had been one of its enthusiastic Sunday School teachers, while her brother, Henry Holton, served as its superintendent forty years.

In the book "Bush Aglow" one of the D. L. Moody centenary books by Richard E. Day, there is a most interesting interview with Mrs. Callender which the author enjoyed and recounts most appreciatively. In the old parlor with its quaint furniture she entertained Mr. Day, as she did all the other guests whom she always welcomed with such cordiality.

Her only direct relatives surviving are Theodore and Henry Holton, and the three children of the latter.

Form Basketball Team

Northfield will again have a basketball team and the opening game of the season will be played at Monroe Bridge this Friday night. It will virtually be a try-out of players for the team which we will announce next week.

The Historical Society
Re-elects All Officers

As the guests of the Misses Hamilton at their home on Winchester road, the Northfield Historical society gathered in their annual session and re-elected the following directors: Dr. George A. Bronson, J. R. Colton, Daisy Holton, Mrs. L. H. Lazelle and L. R. Smith. The following as officers were chosen: President, Miss Daisy Holton; vice-president, L. R. Smith; secretary, Miss Maud Hamilton; treasurer, Miss Priscilla Colton. Mrs. J. R. Colton read a paper on libraries and the meeting resolved to lend its aid in the observance of the D. L. Centenary celebration. A real social hour prevailed after the business meeting.

River Frozen Over;
Weather Very Cold

The cold weather for the last few weeks has been most unusual and everywhere it is reported to be the coldest November days in fifty years. The Connecticut river is frozen over except in a few places where the current is fast. Fishermen last Monday drilled holes through the ice of four inches between Hinsdale and Brattleboro. The thermometer hovered between zero and twenty above for several days in this vicinity. The cold winds are making inroads on the coal pile. Maybe the winter will be a real old-fashioned one, the kind we've heard the old folks tell of.

Harmony Lodge
Officers Installed

The officers of Harmony Lodge of Masons were duly installed at Masonic hall on Monday evening by Past District Deputy Grand Master, Frank A. Yeaw of Greenfield and his staff. There was a large attendance of members and guests and refreshments were served.

The following were the officers installed: Martin E. Vorce, worshipful master; Willis K. Parker, senior warden; Charles L. Johnson, junior warden; Leon R. Alexander, treasurer; Charles C. Stearns, secretary; Ralph M. Forsaith, chaplain; George W. Carr, marshal; Edgar J. Livingston, senior deacon; Harold Bigelow, junior deacon; Vernal Hurlburt, senior steward; George McEwan, junior steward; Charles F. Slate, Tyler.

Kiniry - Anderson

Miss Ruth Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Anderson of Warwick avenue, was married to William Kiniry of Brattleboro, Saturday evening in Brattleboro at St. Michael's Roman Catholic rectory. The immediate families attended.

The couple were attended by the bride's sister, Miss Nellie Anderson of Boston, as maid of honor and by Louis Thompson of Springfield, a cousin of the bridegroom, as best man. Rev. James P. Rand performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Kiniry recently resigned her position as assistant postmaster in Northfield. She was well liked and popular and had many friends who will wish her and her husband every joy and happiness. They have begun housekeeping in an apartment on Grove street, Brattleboro.

May Regulate Bicycles

Owing to the fatalities to riders of bicycles in the state there is developing a very strong sentiment that bicycles should be registered and licensed just as other vehicles are that are using the highway. A bill is proposed in the Legislature providing for regulation at the next session which provides a nominal license fee of 35 cents and makes the rider responsible for the provisions imposed. It is proposed that regulation be mandatory in the larger cities and subject to the action of selectmen in the towns. The bicycle is coming back in large numbers and the manufacturers are unable to keep up with the demand. They are increasing upon our highways and present a serious problem to motorists, especially since many fail to observe the common rules of the road and some are wholly without signals or lights.

CRYING FOR ATTENTION

Xmas Carol Service
At Sage Chapel By
Seminary Students

Northfield Seminary's Christmas carol service will be held on Sunday, Dec. 13 at 8 o'clock in Sage Chapel. For the first time since these services have been held the Seminary orchestra will participate and various instrumental combinations of harp, violin, organ and piano will be used to paint a musical picture of the first Christmas. The musical numbers have been grouped under the general descriptive title "The World Looks to Bethlehem Tonight."

Under the leadership of choral director, Melvin L. Gallagher, the Wednesday choir, the Thursday choir, and Estey chorus, totaling 250 voices will provide the vocal talent while the 25-piece orchestra, assisted by Miss Gladys Grindland at the organ, Miss Catherine Colton at the piano, and Miss E. May Gabel, harpist, and Miss Lucy W. Titcomb, violinist, will provide the orchestral accompaniment. The entire congregation will be invited to participate in several traditional carols including "The First Noel; God Rest You Merry Gentlemen; Joy to the World; Silent Night; and Adesde Fideles. The program follows:

Ava Maria, Bach; *Silent Night*, arr. by Charles Black, Organ, harp and violin; *The Morning Star*, Praetorius; *Dost Thou Remember the Prophet* arr. by Gaul; *Leave, Shepherds, Leave*, arr. by Smith; *Shepherd's Christmas Song*, arr. by Reimann; *The Three Kings*, arr. by Rev. Romey; *Christmas Carol*, Florence N. Wilson; *Lullabye on Christmas Eve*, Christiansen; *Come, Marie, Elisabeth*, arr. by Dickinson; *Bring a Torch, Arr. by Knight; The First Noel*, Old English; *God Rest You, Merry Gentlemen*, English; *Joy to the World*, Handel; *Pastorale*, Guilman, Organ and Piano; *Silent Night*, Gruber; *Glory to God in the Highest*, Pergolesi; *Adesde Fideles*, Traditional; *Benediction and Pastoral Amen*, Handel; Improvisation *Adesde Fideles*, Kreckel.

B. & M. Income Higher

With the best revenue from freight in any month in the past five years and with passenger, mail, and express revenues all showing an increase over October 1935, the Boston and Maine railroad earned net income of \$257,992.67 over and above its fixed charges in October this year.

Freight revenue was 7.8 per cent over October, 1935. Comparably, passenger revenue showed an increase of 26.6 per cent; mail revenue an increase of .3 per cent and express revenue an increase of 21.2 per cent.

The local chapter, Order of the Eastern Star held its regular meeting at the Masonic hall Wednesday evening with a large attendance despite the stormy weather. After the transaction of regular business refreshments were served.

Dr. Harriet Hardy will be the speaker at the next meeting of the Parent-Teacher Union at Alexander hall on Monday evening at 7:45 o'clock. Her subject will be "Cancer." All parents and teachers in town are urged to attend this meeting.

New Lease Signed For
Northfield Post Office

The Northfield post office is definitely to have a new location and the lease for its new location in the Proctor Block at the corner of Warwick avenue has been signed by the owner, Mr. Leon Taber for a period of ten years. Work will begin immediately to get the corner room ready for occupancy and the post office will move to its new quarters just as soon as the improvements are passed by an inspector.

The new location will give the post office an enlarged floor space with ample provision for the rural free delivery carriers and sufficient additional working space for the handling of mail. Sufficient new facilities will be provided to ensure the rapid handling of mail, in and out. No date has been named for the removal.

Plunges Over Bank;
Drops Fifty Feet

Driving to Brattleboro from South Vernon last Saturday afternoon Mr. Robert M. Smull of Greenfield connected with the Greenfield Tap and Die Corp., found the going rather hazardous and the road rather slippery. Skidding on an icy section he lost control of his car and it plunged over the bank down fifty feet turning over two or three times. He emerged from his car with a cut on his ear and minor bruises. The right side of the car was badly smashed and was taken to Greenfield by men from a garage there. Mr. Smull had planned to do some hunting on a small farm which he owns near South Vernon but as a result of the accident he returned to his home in Greenfield where he is reported as resting quietly.

The Connecticut Valley Pomona Grange met last evening at Guiding Star hall in Greenfield with supper served at six o'clock. The business session followed and the fifth degree was worked upon several candidates including a number from Northfield.

The Sewing Society of the Congregational church met Wednesday at the home of Mrs. E. S. Frary on Highland Ave., and despite the bad weather there were 21 present. Mrs. H. H. Morse, Mrs. R. M. Forsaith and Mrs. F. W. Freeman conducted a discussion on the Church and the Negro. Miss Freeman with a quartet of Seminary students rendered a musical program.

NEVER HAD AN
ACCIDENTDONT TAKE
CHANCES
NOWNew Dormitory For
Seminary Campus;
Merrill-Keep Hall

Miss Mira B. Wilson, principal of Northfield Seminary, has announced that a new dormitory will be erected on the campus as soon as weather conditions will permit building operations. The new building will be of brick construction, three stories high, and will accommodate 44 students. The location will be about half way between Gould Hall and the Auditorium and will, of course be used for the accommodation of conference guests in the summer as well as students during the school year. It is hoped, Miss Wilson said, that the dormitory will be ready for occupancy next fall. The building will be named Merrill-Keep hall and the architect is Ralph Harrington Doane of Boston who has designed several other Northfield Schools buildings including Miss Wilson's house, the Munger swimming pool, and Ford cottage, and the renovation of the Mount Hermon Memorial chapel and the "Y" building at Mount Hermon. The size of the new hall, said Miss Wilson, has been determined by the requirements of our system of group living and co-operative housekeeping. This unit is the ideal size for effective management under this system.

Your Remembrance—
Will You Write It?

The centenary of Dwight L. Moody will be fittingly observed next year and the Northfield Press will do all it can to publicize the event. It will lend full co-operation and at least two special editions will be published. It is of much interest now to recall the many individual experiences with the famous evangelist and the editor of the Press invites articles from all who knew Mr. Moody to put them in writing for eventual publication. The articles should not be more than 300 words in length and signed by the author as personal remembrance or experience. No manuscripts will be returned and the Press reserves the right of acceptance or rejection.

HERMON ITEMS

Mount Hermon school is closing for the Christmas holidays on Dec. 12, one week earlier than scheduled. This change has necessitated the cancellation or change in dates of several events previously announced. Both Sunday services on Dec. 13 have been cancelled. Bishop Charles Wesley Burns was scheduled to preach in the morning and the annual Candlelight Service of Christmas music was to have taken place in the afternoon. The athletic banquet at which Adam Walsh, physical director of Bowdoin college, was scheduled to speak on Dec. 17, has been cancelled, and the date of the fall production of the Mount Hermon Players, "Remember the Day" under the direction of Mr. Thomas Donovan, has been advanced from Dec. 12 to Dec. 10.

The Mount Hermon day students visited the new cabin on Wednesday with Mr. Thorlief M. Henriksen of the physical education department as their leader.

The assembly speaker tomorrow will be Mr. R. B. Teffteller of the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tenn. He is to speak at the Seminary at morning chapel.

Dr. Harry Bone, a psychiatrist of New York, will address a meeting of the Henry Drummond Circle this evening. The meeting will be held in the Faculty room of the Social hall at 7:45.

In Massachusetts, hospital construction and disease fighting equipment whose total cost will be over \$13,000,000, are now under construction, or have been completed as Public Works Administration projects. Over 2100 additional beds have been provided by the 61 different hospital projects in Massachusetts which include over 100 separate buildings.

Wednesday night and Thursday morning witnessed the most slippery and dangerous condition of our roads. The snow fall turned to rain Wednesday night making auto traffic difficult. Early Thursday the plows pushed back the wet snow and the sanding trucks followed. Everyone used extreme caution in driving and no accidents were reported.

D. L. Moody Centenary Committee
of the Northfield School Trustees
Are Getting a Good Start NowALBERT E. ROBERTS
Secretary Moody Centenary
CommitteeWell-Child Clinic
Meets Great Success

The well-child clinic or rather conference as it is called, was held in Alexander hall on Wednesday and 35 children responded and were examined by Dr. Claire Maxwell of Northampton. The registration was in charge of Miss Juliet Whittaker, R. N., consultant in public health nursing. Dental Hygiene was in charge of Miss Lois Terwilliger of the Franklin County health district. Miss Dorothy Frank, a nutritionist was sent for the day by the State Dept. of Health. Of the 35 children examined, 12 had attended a previous conference and 23 were present for the first time. Doctors Hardy, Wright and Dean were visitors at the conference. Our District Nurse, Miss Purring-ton, rendered good service all day. In view of the bad weather the committee of the Parent-Teachers' Union under whose auspices the clinic was held felt much gratified with its success. The money necessary for the holding of this conference was provided by the town at its last annual meeting. Our leading citizens are outspoken in their words of appreciation of the efforts of the local committee.

SEMINARY ITEMS

Rev. Harold B. Ingalls, Northfield Seminary chaplain, will be the speaker at the 11 o'clock service Sunday morning in Sage Chapel. A communion service will be held at 5:00. Sunday is the third anniversary of the inauguration of the Northfield Seminary church in its present organization.

Dr. S. Ralph Harlow of Smith College was the speaker at both services last Sunday in Sage Chapel.

Northfield Seminary Christmas vacation will commence on Dec. 19, the students returning to the campus on Jan. 5.

One of a series of student recitals was held Wednesday afternoon at 4:45 in the Principal's house.

The Photography club is sponsoring an exhibit of Brattleboro Camera club photographs in Talcott Library Dec. 1 to 15. The students and faculty attending the exhibit will be invited to vote for their three favorite photographs. The result of this vote will at least reveal to the Brattleboro photographers the type of picture most appealing to school girls.

Mrs. Harold B. Ingalls of the Seminary faculty is addressing a meeting of the Boston-Northfield club in Perkins hall, Boston, Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Ingalls is doing pioneer work in her domestic relations course and the results she has obtained so far have created so much interest on the part of the alumnae that she has been asked to give the details to the Boston group.

The Franklin County Selectmen's association will hold its annual meeting tomorrow (Saturday) at the Mansion House in Greenfield with a dinner at seven o'clock. President Philip Whitmore of Sunderland will preside and John W. Haigis will be the guest speaker. Members of the local board of selectmen plan to attend.

Extensive Arrangements
Approved By Committee

Plans for the Centenary celebration of Dwight L. Moody were virtually completed at a meeting of the centenary executive committee held at the Northfield hotel last Saturday and Sunday. The celebration will open Feb. 5, Mr. Moody's 100th birthday, with Founder's Day addresses being delivered at both schools by President James McConaughy of Wesleyan, one of Mount Hermon's many famous sons. From Founder's Day until the closing day of the summer conference season frequent events are planned, among them a historical event at Commencement time when Seminary and Hermon students will combine; Hermon and Seminary alumni home-coming in June; an important council on evangelism to be held late in June under the leadership of Dr. John R. Mott; Moody days at all the summer conferences; and meetings or series of meetings in various cities here and in Canada.

Dr. George Irving, secretary of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A., is secretary of the committee of arrangements for the Evangelism council. He was at the committee meeting and presented in a graphic statement what they are planning to accomplish at this council. He said that the program will be aimed at five specific groups, namely, students, those interested in youth movements, religious educators, ministers and laymen. Besides world famous speakers who will address the conference, outstanding group leaders will be present to lead group discussions of those interested in these five classifications. The centenary committee decided that in view of Mr. Moody having been one of the outstanding leaders in the history of Christian evangelism that one of the best ways he could be honored would be to stress the importance of this evangelism conference.

In addition to Dr. Mott and Dr. Irving the members of the Evangelism committee are Dr. Samuel Cavert, general secretary of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Dr. Hiram Foulkes, minister of the First Presbyterian church of Newark, N. J.; Dr. David R. Porter, headmaster of Mount Hermon School; Bishop John T. Dallas of New Hampshire; and A. G. Studer, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., Detroit, Mich.; Dr. John McDowell and Mr. Albert E. Roberts, chairman and secretary of the centenary executive committee, are ex-officio members of the Evangelism committee.

Mrs. Ambert G. Moody presented in detail plans for the Seminary home-coming which will probably be held June 18 to 21, and Mr. Carroll Rikert, chairman of the Hermon committee, outlined plans for their home-coming scheduled for June 25 to 28. There is a possibility of a joint home-coming of the two schools over the week-end of June 18 to 22 and definite information on this subject will be given to laumni at an early date.

The centenary observance at the Northfield General Conference will probably be one of the high spots of the entire celebration. The conference was, of course, one of the projects Mr. Moody held closest to his heart and it has done much to carry on the great work he started. Next summer the three closing days, August 13, 14, and 15 will be given over in their entirety to services not only in commemoration of Mr. Moody but services of a kind that he would probably conduct if he were here himself. Speakers will be confined to those who either knew Mr. Moody who those who have been profoundly influenced by him, and the three-day period will be under the immediate leadership of Dr. McDowell who, as a Mount Hermon student and later as he was beginning his life work, was greatly influenced and guided by the founder.

Besides Dr. McDowell and Mr. Roberts the following were present at the two-day committee session: Mr. Gaylord Douglass, Mr. and Mrs. Ambert G. Moody, Dr. George Irving, Miss Mira B. Wilson, Mr. Russell Blair, Miss Harriet Broad, Mr. Stephen Stark, Mr. Frank L. Duley, Mr. Carroll Rikert, Mr. Lester A. Polhemus, Mr. George McEwan, Miss Doris F. Hopkins, and Mr. Frank W. Pearsall.

Advice to the Gift-lorn

by Miss Kilowatt

Dear Miss Kilowatt:

I am fearfully perplexed. I have a dear Aunt Gertie whom I wish to give something extra nice this Christmas (she helped pay my way thru college). What in the world can you suggest? I've thought and thought—and all I can think of is handkerchiefs.

PERPLEXED

Dear Perplexed:

I know just the thing for Aunt Gertie. I can tell by reading between the lines of your letter that she just loves to work in her kitchen—so why not give her one of these ducky new electric roasters. They are the last word in modern cooking devices—automatically controlled, clean and they save precious vitamins in food. Don't be perplexed any longer—just drop into your nearest electric store and ask to see their electric roasters.

MISS KILOWATT

P. S. If she already has a roaster, get her something else electrical—a percolator, toaster, waffle iron, or one of these new I. E. S. lamps. Electrical gifts are always welcome.

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NEW COOK BOOK ISSUED

Woman's Club of Turners Falls Marks Silver Anniversary

Book Contains Over 200 Pages, Approximately 600 Recipes

In commemoration of the 25th Anniversary of the club, the Woman's Club of Turners Falls has issued a "Silver Anniversary" Cook Book, of "tried and true" recipes.

The book contains over 200 pages and approximately 600 recipes. There are inexpensive Dinner Menus for each day of the week for Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter; Luncheon and Tea Menus for Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.

Besides the recipes and menus there are 24 "Kitchen Aids," 16 "Helpful Hints" and 11 "Bread Difficulties" which alone are well worth the price of the book.

Forty-two recipes are given for Supper Dishes; 28 for Meats; 42 for Salads and Salad Dressings; 89 for Pastry and Puddings; 61 for Bread, Rolls, Biscuits, Muffins, etc.; 116 for Cakes, Fillings, and Frostings; 54 for Cookies. There are also recipes for Soups, Fish, Vegetables, Frozen Desserts, Sandwiches, Gingerbread, Doughnuts, Pickles, Relishes, Jellies, Conserves, Beverages and Candy.

The book was printed by Henry R. Gould, under the supervision of Mrs. Joseph S. Keating, chairman of the Ways and Means committee. It is printed in black ink from good, ready readable type on white paper with a serviceable faun colored cover. Every housewife and prospective bride should possess one of these books—they will make an ideal "all-time" or especially appropriate Christmas gift.

These books are on sale at Marie's Beauty Shop and Leah's Beauty Shop in Turners Falls at 50 cents per copy, or may be obtained through Mrs. Joseph S. Keating, Crocker avenue (phone 56-11), Turners Falls, or any member of the club.

Enrollment gains in more than 80 per cent of the private educational institutions in the United States was reported today by N. W. Ayer & Son, Inc., on the basis of a nation-wide census. More than half of the schools have enough students to fill 90 per cent or more of their capacity while 30 per cent have the "standing room" sign hanging from the gates.

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LOCALS

The schoolhouse in district 9 which has not been used for school purposes for a number of years, has been sold to Herman Miner, who has moved it across the road and will fix it up for a home.

The Youths Hostel has issued the first number of its "AYH Knapsack" in printed form as its official publication. It is an attractive bulletin of twelve pages and cover and contains much valuable information concerning the work of the organization. The magazine has been entered as second class matter at the Northfield post office with permit pending. The edition is being mailed to the entire membership.

The annual meeting and dinner of the Massachusetts Federation of Taxpayers' associations will be held at the Statler Hotel in Boston on Saturday, December 12 with the luncheon at one o'clock. As announcements have been received here by some of our citizens, it is hoped that the town will be represented. Several State officials will speak.

The performance of "Streamlined Sue" at Silverthorne hall last Saturday afternoon was attended by about 150 of the Seminary students and friends and netted the high school senior class about \$33 for the Washington trip fund.

In District Court on Monday, Edward Zabko of Northfield Farms pleaded not guilty of assault and battery against Alice Peters of Greenfield. His case was continued until Dec. 5. It is charged that Zabko repeatedly bumped his car into the Peters car as it was parked on Chapman street in Greenfield.

Our local postmasters call attention to patrons that packages for Christmas mailing should be forwarded as early as possible, especially those addressed to foreign countries. It takes time to cross the continent as well as the oceans.

The Old Farmer's Almanac for 1937 has made its appearance here and may be found on the newsstand at the Bookstore and Northfield Pharmacy. The almanac is in its 145th year and contains a fund of valuable information much appreciated by those who have a copy. It is said that editors of newspapers always have a copy on hand for reference as they can rely upon its information.

The Girl Scouts of Troop I practiced signaling at their last meeting with the help of Lieut. Abbot. Some of the girls expect to pass the test soon. Dorann Davis presided at the meeting as Capt. Briemaster and Lieut. Thompson were unable to be present.

Manager Latchis of the Auditorium Theatre announces a showing of "Love On the Run" with Joan Crawford, Clark Gable and Franchot Tone in one of the best showings of the year. It is a play of romance and enticing in its attention. It is worthy of appreciation by the large number of movie fans who want to see a good picture.

The Tri-County Electric Co., of Greenfield, has issued invitations to bid on approximately 232 miles of rural lines in Franklin and Hampshire Counties. Bids are now being received and it is expected that the lines will reach into the outlying districts of Northfield.

The Connecticut Valley Division of the State Safety Council will hold an important meeting at the Mansion House in Greenfield today, Friday, at 12:15 noon with a luncheon. The speaker will be Lewis E. MacBrayne, Gen. Mgr. of the State Safety Council. He will speak on safety promotion work and several from Northfield have been invited to attend.

Information received from the State Tax Commissioner's office is to the effect that all owners of automobiles will pay an increased excise tax in 1937 amounting to \$1.24 per thousand of valuation. The tax for 1937 will be \$34.62 per thousand. It's always taxes and more taxes.

A very neat illustrated calendar for the church services at the Congregational church was issued and distributed Thanksgiving Sunday.

Work on the Mount Hermon road at Nelson's Pond may now get under way in earnest as a WPA project and the Massachusetts allotment for this work is \$7695 from the Federal government announced this week at Washington.

The next lecture by Mrs. Grace Morrison Poole, President of the General Federation of Women's Clubs will be at the home of Mrs. W. Herbert Nichols, 15 Park St., Greenfield on Thursday, Jan. 7. She speaks on "Current Events."

FORTNIGHTLY

On Friday afternoon, Dec. 11 at 3 o'clock, Prof. H. H. Morse will address the club in a Christmas program at Alexander hall. Tea will be served, Mrs. Fred Pallam hostess; there will be a musical program also.

At the suggestion of the president, Mrs. Wright, members are asked to bring gifts for either children or adults. These will be distributed later in community service. Please mark on package whether gift is for boy, girl or adult, and don't forget the men in making your selection.

On Friday evening of this week Dec. 4, at 7:30 the Study Group will meet with Mrs. Martin Vorce. Mrs. Ross Spencer will speak on Massachusetts' Cultural and Recreational Facilities.

The Grange Meets

There was a special meeting of Northfield Grange in Grange hall last Tuesday evening for the purpose of conferring the first and second degrees. Worthy Master Frederick M. White presided. The first degree was conferred by the regular officers on a class of seven candidates, who were Mrs. Florence Hale, Miss Esther Hale, LeRoy R. Barnes and Linwood Moore.

The second degree was worked by the members of the Men's Degree staff with Mark Wright as Master.

The third and fourth degrees will be conferred at a regular meeting which will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 15. The date of the regular meeting having been postponed from the 8th to the 15th, owing to the annual meeting of the State Grange at Springfield next week.

The delegates to the State Grange are Worthy Master Frederick M. White and wife, Mrs. Grace E. White. The alternate delegates are the Master-elect Edward C. Bolton and wife, Mrs. Ruth W. Bolton.

The Lecturer-elect Dr. Florence C. Colton will attend the Lecturer's conference.

It is expected that several other members will attend the sessions of the State Grange to receive the sixth degree.

Warns of Coasting

Mindful of last winter's record of children killed in the state through coasting accidents, Registrar Goodwin has warned all police departments and the officials of towns that they must act to prevent coasting accidents by the proper regulation and supervision of the sport on public highways. Selectmen are urged to give public notice in the press of their decisions regarding regulations and forbidding the sport in dangerous places. Children and others too, are liable to be careless in this sport and parents should exercise a due diligence with their children.

"STATE HOUSE, BOSTON" by Stanley Scott



This linoleum print, by Stanley Scott, whose work is known throughout the United States, and who is rated among the ten leading print artists in New England, illustrates one type of original art available to institutions wholly or in part tax-supported, through the Federal Art Project.

The original is unusually large for a linoleum print, measuring 16 inches by 11 inches, on parchment paper having overall dimensions 6 inches greater each way, for purposes of framing.

Other available prints by this artist are "Faneuil Hall and Quincy Market, Boston" and "Capitol, Washington."

Mr. Scott is a graduate of the Massachusetts School of Art and has studied in Europe. Etchings of his have been approved by the Jury of the Brooklyn Society of Etchers, and his work has been exhibited in several museums.

Christmas Checks Here

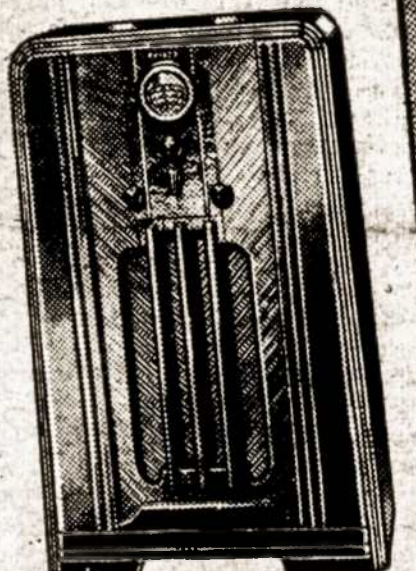
Many of the prudent in Northfield who have systematically saved each week for their Christmas needs are now receiving from their Christmas clubs, the bank's checks for their savings. In Franklin County about \$90,000 was distributed this week and from Brattleboro comes word that about \$35,000 was distributed.

The First National Bank and Trust Company of Greenfield distributed \$53,074.50 to 1416 members. The Greenfield Savings Bank distributed \$35,668.25 to 1014 members. No estimate can be had of how much of this money came to Northfield, but no doubt quite a few checks were received. Now is the time to again make a decision to join for another year—so get busy and think the matter over.

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PERSONALS

Mr. A. P. Fitt who is now connected with the New York Biblical Institute spent the Thanksgiving holiday here with Mrs. Fitt who is staying at the Valley Vista Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Britton entertained a party over Thanksgiving consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dowd of Springfield, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stoddard and Merrill Davis of Greenfield, and Mrs. Emma Nims and Mrs. Carrie Britton of this town.

Miss Dorothy McGowan who is attending Simmons College in Boston was home for last week-end.

The Rev. Mr. Kopf, pastor of the Mount Vernon Congregational church of Boston, the church which Mr. Moody went to as a lad, attended Sunday School, was converted and united with the congregation was a visitor in Northfield and conferred with Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Fitt relative to securing mementos for display in the observance of "Moody Week" in his church, February first to seventh.

Mrs. Grace C. Amidon, Miss Delight Amidon, and Mr. Gilbert Amidon, were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Giebel at their home last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Cobb have returned from Gardiner, Maine, where they were called by the illness of Mr. Cobb's mother. She had recently visited Northfield and was on her way south for the winter when stricken with shock while passing through Richmond, Va.

Mr. A. R. Levering and his sister will spend the winter in Lynn Haven, Fla., and left Northfield by motor last week.

Mrs. C. M. Buck who has been staying on for a while in her home here has returned to Brooklyn, N. Y., for the winter.

Mr. C. K. Ober has closed his residence on Ober's Look-out and with his son and wife returned to White Plains, N. Y. They plan an early return in the spring.

The Lueys have returned to Worcester and have closed their residence at Northfield Farms.

Mr. and Mrs. George Chapman of the Plains road have gone to spend the winter at Jacksonville Beach in Florida.

Mr. Raymond Quinlan who is employed at the Northampton State hospital has been quite ill recently at that institution. He is reported as improving, however.

Miss Claire Damon has gone to Providence, R. I., to accept a position there.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Mattoon have closed their home on Main street for the winter and taken an apartment at the Bronson Inn.

Mrs. Elliott W. Brown is at the Brattleboro hospital for rest and treatment as she has not been as well as usual.

A daughter, Carolyn Ruth, was born at the Franklin County hospital, Monday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ferris. The young lady is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Wright of Warwick avenue.

Miss Celestia Allen is very comfortably situated at the Bronson Inn and although in failing eyesight she enjoys reading the Press and picture papers which friends send her.

Mr. Leverett Candee of Boston has been visiting in town and his many friends have given him a cordial greeting.

Miss Betty Blodgett, field worker for the Youths Hostels and Bill Andrus her assistant, are visiting the hostels in New Hampshire, Vermont and northern Massachusetts and will return to Northfield after the middle of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Sutherland of Parker street spent Thanksgiving week-end with their daughter, Mrs. Edward Clark and family in Worcester, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Harris who recently sold their place in West Northfield are now occupying a portion of the Sauter residence on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Osman F. Haven of Hopkinton announce the birth of a daughter, Christine Mildred on Nov. 21.

The Mother's Society of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. W. Stanley Carne on Birnam road, Wednesday next at three o'clock. Mrs. George Foster will speak on "Family Celebrations." All mothers are invited to attend.

The play "Deacon Dubbs" is announced for the town hall Friday, the 11th, with a harvest supper served at six o'clock by the Northfield Grange.

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS TO OPEN WITH WATCH NIGHT SERVICE AT THE MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE



Dwight L. Moody in a unique drawing by Shoemaker in the Chicago Daily News. (Reproduced by Permission).

CHICAGO—The Moody Bible Institute of this city, in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the birth of D. L. Moody, its founder, during 1937, is moved by a profound purpose to make every feature of its extensive program contribute to spiritual ends and the great objectives that dominated the life of Moody—honoring the Word of God and bringing spiritual help to individuals.

Nothing short of these worthy purposes have moved the Institute to announce the following features that range through the year: Watch Night Service, December 31, 1936; observance of "Moody Day" (Feb. 7) in hundreds of churches throughout the world; Founder's Week Conference (in Chicago) January 31 to February 7; Metropolitan Conferences in all parts of America and Great Britain with an exchange of distinguished preachers and Bible teachers.

With many economists and statesmen declaring that a spiritual revival is America's greatest need, the promoters of the D. L. Moody Centenary Celebrations are confident that this reminder of Moody and the things for which he stood will help bring the awakening needed. Thus would the purposes of Moody's life and labors find expression in our day.

Mrs. N. Fay Smith of Birnam road returned Wednesday from a visit with her nephew, Wheelock Boehne in Philadelphia. While in New York she called upon Mrs. Shanocks at her home, who was formerly a missionary in Korea and whose daughters, Marion and Theo, formerly attended the Seminary.

Monroe and Isabel Smith are continuing their visits in the interest of Youths Hostels in the west and will not return here until Christmas instead of Thanksgiving as previously stated. At present they are in San Francisco and will visit Denver, St. Louis, Milwaukee and Detroit on the return trip.

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Friday, December 4, 1936

Subscribers to the Press should allow two weeks for a change in address if they do not wish to miss a copy of the paper. Notify us as early as possible of any change in address.

EDITORIAL

Artists of substantial ability who have been without opportunity during the depression and who merited an honest support were provided for by the Federal art project in the use of their talent. It was a commendable effort and the result is that the government has on hand many paintings, etchings and prints which cannot be sold. However, these may be placed in tax supported institutions and already a demand is gathering for them. In this commendable effort which has won the sympathy and admiration of peoples everywhere northfield may possibly share if those who are concerned will take the proper steps. Will Northfield do it?

The season of storm and heavy snows is upon us and since the recent fall of snow much of the ground is covered. The birds are gradually being deprived of obtaining their food on barren ground save in the thick of the woods and they will be visiting your home grounds to seek the food thrown out to them. Let's begin right now and put out some food—crushed dry bread, suet, corn and seed. You will be well rewarded. Put up a board outside your window sill, keep it supplied with food and see how happy the birds are as they alight. At the editor's home each morning comes the song and flight of sparrows, the junks, the woodpeckers, the nut-hatches and the blue jays to make life interesting. Now comes word that the rural free delivery carriers may scatter feed for birds about their routes when necessary by authority of the Post Office Dept. at Washington. What a fine thing if we all co-operate this winter in caring for and preserving our bird life. Let's begin right away and everybody do his or her share.

The Back Yard Gardener

Dave Arnold, whom you've heard me speak about so frequently and whom I hadn't seen for a dog's age, dropped in Thanksgiving evening and says to me, "Why not an outlook report on back yard gardening, the same as these other fellows write on business, farm products, building prospects, and so on?"

Well, say I how's this for a starter? Barring unusual weather conditions and if all nurserymen do not go broke, we ought to have a bigger and better garden next year. But to be serious, Dave, what was your idea?

Well, says he, something like this. There is no question but what 1937 is going to bring in a goodly number of new plants; plants which weren't grown last year or at least not commonly, and plants which are decided novelties and yet are successful and will be generally adopted.

I had in mind these new marigolds which, as one garden paper put it, have lost their b. o. They have been perfected just this year and certainly anyone who has a garden ought to try some of them out.

They also have ready for announcing this next spring, a number of new annuals, such as the new larkspur which is called White King, a hybrid petunia called Petunia Burgundy, a new zinnia called Stardust which is a clear golden yellow of the fantasy type, and the new snapdragon, I have forgotten the exact name, but it is a salmon rose color and is supposed to be a real proof variety.

Then for 1937 they have developed some mighty fine hybrid chrysanthemums. These aren't brand new but some of the outstanding ones are Grenadier which is a brilliant red, Apollo which is a bronze red, and Louise Schilling which is a pink.

I was also reading in one of the garden papers about the new

roses that they have been developing and will be offered by seed houses for next spring. Eclipse is a golden yellow rose which is worth trying. From Germany comes a yellow rose called Golden Maid. A scarlet crimson almost velvet rose is the Christy-pier Stone, and another is Dickens Centennial. This one, according to reports I have heard about it, is an especially fragrant one.

And then if you want to get into garden shrubs, you might try cistus. These aren't exactly new but are becoming more available. Most of them have yellow flowers which look a good deal like a sweet pea and the leaves look more like steams than leaves. Some people call them Scotch brooms. These certainly are worth growing.

Then you take the enkianthus, particularly the species Campanulatus. Most people have failed to appreciate these, and I'd say that they ought to try them in 1937. They have bell-shaped flowers and not only that, the bush itself is an attractive color during the winter, being a gold-brown.

And to go up a little higher in the scale, one unusual tree which is becoming a little more commonly listed by nurserymen is Stewartia which has a small magnolia-like flower.

And says Dave, there is even promise along other lines. The horticultural magazines are getting better and promise some unusual and inspirational topics.

Also we even find that efforts are being made to stream-line our garden tools—in other words make them easier to handle, such as better balance; and I even came across a chromium plated garden hoe a few weeks ago.

In summing up the horticultural or gardening outlook for 1937, I'd say that there is a definite increase in the number of gardens. More and more people are coming to realize the value of having a back yard garden and that means more pleasure for you and me because the more people that are in gardening the more chance we have to talk about it.

Use Common Sense To Grow Good Plants

You don't have to be a plant wizard to grow healthy, blooming house plants, according to Arnold M. Davis, extension horticultural specialist at Mass. State college. Growing plants indoors, he says, is largely a matter of common sense.

First of all, they should have a sunny location. Second, they should not be too warm. Third, they should have enough water to keep from wilting. And finally, they should have regular doses of plant food.

Mr. Davis says much of the difficulty in growing house plants is due to too high a temperature. For this reason, the best place for plants is the cool and sunny corner of the room. To insure the correct amount of water and prevent drying out in the pot, here comes the use of a mat of moist material in a saucer under each flower pot. Sphagnum moss, specially prepared plant mats, blotting paper, or old newspapers may be used in this manner.

The plants should be fed about twice a month to encourage a good healthy rate of growth. "Gardener's weak tea," made by dissolving well-rotted barnyard manure in water, may be applied every two weeks. Another good plant food is prepared by dissolving a teaspoonful of any complete chemical fertilizer for gardens in a quart of water. This, too, should be used once every two weeks in place of the regular watering. Other good plant foods are available in stores that carry gardeners' supplies and should be used in accordance with the maker's recommendations.

"If these four recommendations are followed," Mr. Davis said, "most indoor gardening troubles will be solved. Getting house plants off to a vigorous start does far more good than any amount of coddling and treatment once they are established."

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Sunday school at No. 3 at 2:30. At 3:00 the Junior Endeavor will meet in the vestry. At 7:00 the Senior Endeavor will be led by Murray Pallam. At 8:00 the monthly missionary service in the vestry. Mrs. Montague will present the missionary message.

Tuesday at 2:30 the Mrs. L. R. Smith Bible class will meet at the home of Mrs. Freeman; leader, Mrs. Giebel.

Wednesday at 3 o'clock the Mothers' Society will meet at the parsonage. The topic, "Family Celebration" will be presented by Mrs. Foster. Devotions by Mrs. Fay Smith.

Thursday at 7:30 the weekly prayer service in the vestry, followed by the choir rehearsal.

SOUTH CHURCH

Rev. MARY ANDREWS CONNER

Sunday at 9:45 Church School. At 10:45 Church Worship. The subject will be, "The Child Leadership." This will be the first of a series of sermons through December centering about the Christmas thought.

The Alliance will be the guest of Mrs. N. P. Wood in her home on Thursday, Dec. 10. Mrs. H. M. Haskell and Mrs. Fred Irish will assist Mrs. Wood. The subject for the afternoon's study will be "The Negro Worker. His Social and Educational Problems." Mrs. E. M. Morgan and Mrs. Thomas Parker will present the subject.

This Friday evening, Dec. 4, will be held the first meeting of the Married Folks Social Group. They will meet from 7:30 to 10:30 p. m. in the Unitarian vestry for fun.

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The choir of the church will meet for rehearsal next Saturday at 7:30 o'clock and those willing to assist and sing in the rendering of the Christmas music are invited to attend.

A sale of articles suitable for Christmas gifts will be held at the Vernon Home this Friday afternoon and evening. An entertainment will be given in the evening. All are cordially invited to attend. Gifts of food or small articles for the sale are requested.

Miss Jennie Lee of Seymour, Conn., was the guest of Miss Eleanor Bruce last week-end.

The South School P. T. A. gave a splendid entertainment at the South schoolhouse last Tuesday evening. A business session preceded. Mrs. Alonzo Gilbert was named chairman of the Social committee for January. The entertainment was a play entitled "Political Character" given by local talent with Mrs. Edna Edson as director. Miss Eleanor Bruce sang very well indeed, several selections accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Stearns. Mrs. William Blakeslee of Brattleboro gave a talk on "Christmas Gifts" which was appreciated.

Miss Marion Moody of East Northfield is a guest of the Vernon Home.

PUBLIC FORUM

Editor Press.

Pardon me but do you recall we had an election recently? Do you remember the bitter words about the duPonts and William Randolph Hearst? Well it is now said that Franklin D. Jr. will wed a Miss duPont and it is also announced that Mr. Boettling will become a newspaper manager for Mr. Hearst. Elliott Roosevelt is manager of a radio system in Texas for Mr. Hearst, it is said. Well politics makes strange bedfellows. Isn't the conclusion that personal matters should not be given serious consideration in an election campaign?

A Politician

Security Comments

In an article on social security in the Boston Globe of Nov. 20, 1936, presumably inspired by the administration, there are several interesting statements. This is one: "Government has so far discovered only one safe basis for distributing relief. That is to stick to the one basis of absolute need."

Since we have become so largely a nation of dependents (not quite paupers, for they may yet vote—for their masters it is perhaps well that we retain in pow-

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Mon. - Tues. Dec. 7 - 8

Joan Crawford - Clark Gable Franchot Tone in "LOVE ON THE RUN" Reginald Owen - Mona Barrie News - Colored Musicals

Thursday, December 10

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er an administration that has learned something about the distribution of a fraction of our wealth on the basis of need. Those who are yet free and wish to remain so must learn more about the distribution of wealth on the basis of right. Most of the people who are now in need have reached that condition because they never had their economic rights and because we as a people have never made an efficient attempt to define and enforce democratic principles in our economic life. The Townsend Plan recognizes this fact and provides, without injustice to any one, for the return of a part of the wrongly distributed wealth to the common people, to whom it belongs.

Here is another quotation: "None but the Townsendsites have suggested a way to turn on full-size old-age pensions before any fund has been created to pay for them." In the first part of this sentence more truth is told than was probably intended. It acknowledges that the Townsend Plan is adequate for pensions (and also for recovery and prosperity) and that it is the only such plan. The last part is false and plainly intended to deceive. Everybody who is at all acquainted with the plan knows that it makes full provision for collection in advance of all funds needed. It does this without any attack on accumulated wealth, without regimentation, paternalism, or pauperization, without Federal interference with state rights or business rights, without any addition to the public debt. All that is required is a small tax evenly spread over all business transactions.

The article points out a dilemma between paying full pensions from the start and paying none at all till adequate reserves have been built up, and then says: "Between the horns of this dilemma remains only a stop-gap, half-and-half system for the generation of the transition period. That is what we have." Here is an expert and official rating of the Social Security Act by a spokesman for the administration. This is the kind of legislation the people asked for in the late election. If the only purpose of the administration was to solve the problem there would be no dilemma. The Townsend Plan is proof of that. But the actions of the administration compel us to believe that it is more the servant of special privilege than of the people. Management of capital for the unearned profit of the few, the power of private interests to control the ebb and flow of cash and credit, such inequities demand and receive government approval and support. Adequate social security can never be reached until financial control by a predatory minority is checked or destroyed. Hence the dilemma. Hence the opposition to the Townsend Plan. Whatever happens to the common people the administration appears bound to keep conditions so that those who take may keep on robbing those who make.

D. F. Carpenter

A FRIENDSHIP

Small fellowship of daily complicity

We hold together, dear, con-

strained to go

Diverging ways. Yet day by day

I know

My life is sweeter for thy life's

sweet grace;

And if we meet but for a moment's

space,

Thy touch, thy word, sets all the

world aglow.

Faith soars serene, haunting

doubts shrink low,

Abashed before the sunshine of

thy face.

Nor press of crowd, nor waste of

distance serves

To part us. Every hush of evening

brings

Some hint of thee, true-hearted

friend of mine;

And as the further planet thrills

and swerves

When toward it through the dark-

ness Saturn swings,

Even so my spirit feels the spell

of thine.

—Sophie Jewett (Ellen Burroughs)

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FAITH

With constant faith, surpassing

doubt,

I stand and watch the tide run

out;

That 'twill come back, I say to

you

I do not know—and yet I do.

At eventide I see the day

Put night on guard and go away.

Will morning come its mists to

woo?

I do not know—and yet I do.

I see the sere that autumn brings;

Will verdure come with waking

spring?

My faith alone can answer true—

I do not know—and yet I do.

We see the loved ones drop and

die;

Hath Heaven a brighter life on

high?

Is death the vale that leads there-

to?

I do not know—and yet I do.

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